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PERFORMING INCREMENTAL  
PLACEMENT FOR LAYOUT-DRIVEN  
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PROGRAMMABLE GATE ARRAYS

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**RESPONSE**

Dear Sir or Madam,

In response to the Office Action mailed September 30, 2005, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider the following remarks.